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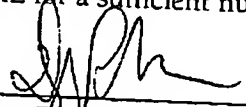
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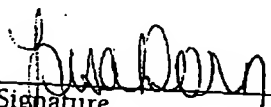
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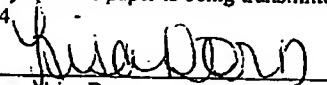
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.